

- ~~an inquiry classroom~~
- Displays Mission statement/ ~~and~~ Learner Profile
- Displays and constantly refers to Unit/guiding/essential questions
- Displays and clarifies Assessment criteria
- Students are active participants
- Students question and interact with each other and the teacher
- An inquiry classroom may be very active and filled with resources. It may be filled with children having conversations, both with their peers and with the teacher, or it may be filled with evidence of investigation.
- The teacher's role becomes less involved with direct teaching and more involved with modeling, guiding, facilitating, and continually assessing student work.
- Teachers in inquiry classrooms must constantly adjust levels of instruction to the information gathered
- ~~The~~ Teachers show children how to use new tools or materials. (ATL's)
- ~~The~~ Teachers guide students in taking more and more responsibility.
- ~~The~~ Teachers help students design and carry out skills of recording, documenting, and drawing conclusions.
- ~~The~~ Teachers help students form tentative explanations and responses (to the unit questions) while moving toward content understanding.
- ~~The~~ Teachers introduce tools and materials and ideas appropriate to content learning.
- ~~The~~ Teachers use appropriate content terminology,
- ~~The~~ Teachers are sensitive to what children are thinking and learning, and identify areas in which children are struggling.
- ~~The~~ Teachers talk to children, ask questions, make suggestions, share, and interact.
- ~~The~~ Teachers move around and make themselves available to all students.
- ~~The~~ Teachers help children go to their next stage of learning with appropriate clues and prompts.
- ~~The~~ Teachers use open-ended questions that encourage investigation, observation, and thinking.
- ~~The~~ Teachers carefully listen to students' ideas, comments, and questions, In order to help them develop their skills and thought processes.
- ~~The~~ Teachers suggest new things to look at and try, and encourage critical thinking.
- ~~The~~ Teachers orchestrate and encourage student dialogue.